

Greenways & Natural Lands

Seminole Tracks Newsletter

Natural Lands Program Newsletter

Call 407-665-2211 for info

2019 Fall

Upcoming Hikes & Special Events

NATURAL LANDS GUIDED HIKES

Join Natural Lands staff and volunteers for guided hikes on some of our most beautiful wilderness areas. Experience the trails and learn about the amazing animals and plants that live in the variety of habitats. **Children must be at least 7 years old (10 years old for Black Bear hike) and accompanied by an adult.**

Pre-registration is required, space is limited. Register online at recreation.seminolecountyfl.gov Park hours: Monday through Friday 8:00am - 10:00pm, Saturday and Sunday 8:00am - 8:00pm. Call 407-665-2211 for more information.

GUIDED HIKES Cost: \$3 per person

Date	Theme	Time	Location
*Sept. 7	Swamp Walk	8:00am-10:00am	Spring Hammock Preserve
Sept. 21	Night Hike	7:00pm-9:00pm	Lake Proctor Wilderness Area
**Sept. 28	Free Public Lands Hike	8:00am-12:00pm	Black Bear Wilderness Area
Oct. 26	Plant Walk & Talk	9:00am-11:00am	Econ River Wilderness Area
Nov. 2	Birds & Bagels Hike	7:30am-9:30am	Lake Harney Wilderness Area
Nov. 16	History Hike	8:00am-10:00am	Lake Harney Wilderness Area

***Swamp Walk** will take you through thick black mud to explore the beauty of the hydric hammock. Wear closed-toed shoes and long pants. Lots of fun for the entire family! Bring something to sit on in your car, you WILL get muddy!!

****Black Bear Wilderness Area** trail is a 7.1 mile loop trail. It is very rough terrain and is **not recommended for children under 10 years of age.** Bring water, bug repellent and wear comfortable hiking shoes.

PROPERTY ADDRESSES:
Spring Hammock Preserve
2985 Osprey Trail, Longwood 32750
Lake Proctor Wilderness Area
920 E. SR 46, Geneva 32732
Black Bear Wilderness Area
298 Michigan Ave., Sanford 32771

Econ River Wilderness Area
3795 Old Lockwood Rd, Oviedo 32765
Lake Harney Wilderness Area
2395 Osceola Fish Camp Rd, Geneva 32732
Geneva Wilderness Area/Ed Yarborough Nature Center
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva 32732

SPECIAL EVENT! GREAT AMERICAN CAMPOUT: NOVEMBER 2 - 3



Learn to camp in a fun, family-oriented event. Meals included! We will have tent pitching assistance, cast iron cooking, a wildlife program, guided night hike, s'mores over a campfire and much more!

Limited to 40 families.

Families must have a child 13 years old or younger to participate.

One tent per family.

Date: November 2 - 3

Location: Lake Mills Park
1301 Tropical Avenue
Chuluota, FL 32766

Time: Saturday, 2:00pm to Sunday, 9:00am

Cost: \$10/per person

Register online at recreation.seminolecountyfl.gov

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The Seminole County Natural Lands Program is your source for these activities:

- Eco Birthday Parties at the Ed Yarborough Nature Center
- Programs for Civic and Community Groups
- Scouting Programs/Hikes
- Public and Private School field trips
- Eco Programs in your classroom
- Private day and night hikes for groups of 15-25
- Geneva Campus Rental for meetings, parties, and events!

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Winter Adventure Eco Camp!

Imagine a camp where you can have fun while learning about the natural world! Have fun fishing, hiking, playing games, setting live traps, dip-netting, making crafts and much more! It's an outdoor Adventure and Environmental Education program that is committed to promoting individual growth and environmental awareness. Call 407-665-2211 for more information.

When: December 30th - January 3rd (no camp on Wed, Jan. 1)

Where: Ed Yarborough Nature Center
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva 32732

Times: 9:00am - 4:00pm
(extended day available from 7:30am - 5:30pm)

Cost: \$132/week (extended day an additional \$15/week)

Ages: 7-12

Register online at recreation.seminolecountyfl.gov

Nature Classes:

Pre-Registration is required for ALL CLASSES, HIKES & PROGRAMS.

Register online at recreation.seminolecountyfl.gov

SNAKES OF FLORIDA

Join a local expert from Seminole County Natural Lands as he gives an introduction to and dispels some of the myths about these often misunderstood cold blooded residents!

The program begins indoors and concludes with an outdoor hike (closed-toed shoes required).

Date/Time: Saturday, **October 5**, 9:00am - 12:00pm

Location: Ed Yarborough Nature Center
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva

Cost: \$5 per person

Ages: 7 and up (children must be accompanied by an adult)



BUGS, BATS & PLANTS

Discover the connections among nature's most secretive animals. Explore the vital role they play in supporting Florida's plant communities. Join City Bats Conservancy in learning about nature's amazing interactions and **meet some live Florida bats!**

Date/Time: Saturday, **October 12**, 6:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Ed Yarborough Nature Center,
3485 N. County Road 426, Geneva 32732

Cost: \$5 per person

Ages: 7 and up (children must be accompanied)



PARENT/CHILD COMPASS NAVIGATION CLASS

Come and learn how to navigate using only a map and compass. We will use our new skill to find the treasure! Led by a Florida Master Naturalist. Class is limited to 15 children (ages 9-12), so sign up soon!

Location: Ed Yarborough Nature Center, Geneva Wilderness Area

Date/Time: Saturday, **October 19**, 9:00am-11:00am

Cost: \$5 per person

Ages: 9-12 (children must be accompanied by an adult).



PLANT WALK AND TALK

Join us on a plant walk as we take periodic stops to talk about the many beneficial uses that plants have in our lives. We will talk about how plants are used as food, medicine, and aesthetic, inspiration.

Date/Time: Saturday, **Oct. 26**, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Location: Econ River Wilderness Area

Cost: \$3 per person

BIRDS & BAGELS HIKE

Join Seminole County Natural Lands Program and Seminole Audubon Society for bagels and bird watching at the Lake Harney Wilderness Area. Participants will hike through the oak hammock and end the hike on the Observation deck to enjoy bagels & juice!

Participants should be prepared with closed toed shoes, bug spray and water.

Date/Time: Saturday, **Nov. 2nd**, 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Location: Lake Harney Wilderness Area

Cost: \$5 per person

Ages: 7 and up (children must be accompanied by an adult)

GENEVA HISTORY HIKE

Geneva is layered in history. Join us at the Lake Harney Wilderness Area for a guided hike to explore some of those layers, from the Seminole Indian settlement at King Philipstown of the 1830s to the lucrative logging business of the Osceola Cypress Company that thrived along the river until 1942. The hike is approximately 1 mile long and will take 1.5 to 2 hours to complete. The pace is leisurely, allowing time to enjoy wildlife viewing and the changing environment.

Location: Lake Harney Wilderness Area

Date/Time: Saturday, **November 16**, 8:00am-10:00am

Cost: \$3 per person

Ages: 7+ (children must be accompanied by an adult).

